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Tim Times-Enterprise of Tom Green county says the scab has appeared in several flocks of sheep in that county.

A namon across the San Antonio river on Market street would be a relief to Commerce street, and is really a neces-

San Annonio is better supplied with paris than any city in the South, and in ity years will be decidedly the hand-somest city.

The Mississippi river is likely to over-flow, as the Ohio falls. Let us be grate-ful that we live near the head of the San Antonio river

Manutages who advertise freely sel-om have occasion to complain of dull mes and pour sales. The public know-here to find their stores.

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It worth not surprise us if Handali was the nominee of the Democracy for President. Tilden is, no doubt, in favor of alin as signified any Western man.

The praise bestowed on Wendell Philips would never have been accorded him in case he had been insincere, non-committal, tricky and time-serving. He was been accorded to the convertions.

The Waco Examiner does not appear to feel very much admiration for Gov-ernor Ireland and the Houston Post-"Keep the step," Mr. Examiner, if you don't want the "machine" to smash you to a smithereen.

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SESSTON HINDLEMANDERS SAYS that while Virginia is charged with her nil quota of supployees, fully one-half of them have been palined on the State by Senators and Representatives who are not now, nor never were, residents of Virginia.

SAN ANTONIO continues to grow right along, despite of the fence cutting deviltry, and as it grows its business widens and extends. The municipal authorities are keeping abreast with the growth of the city in improving the sidewalks, etc. Let use and all endeavor to push forward the growth of the city.

STAGE ROBLING IN THE STAGE SAYS ANTONION OF THE STAGE SON THE STA

NEAUR robbing is the order of the day in some parts of Texas and Mr. L. Jenell, a passenger, was murdered by stage robbers in Tom Green county last week. Why not arm the stage drivers with a Winchester rife and a couple of six shooters and hire a guard, after the English fashion, or detail one of the rangers to go in the stage on each trip, well armed? That is the way to stop stage robbing; kill the robbers.

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Whink the Liour has never been "spooney" towards the old alcalde, it is serry to see the tone used by some papers of his own party, in speaking of him. The exalted pesitions, which he has filled in the State, and his unblembed personal integrity coupled with his venerable age, should cause newspapers to criticise him in decent and respectful terms, or to remain silent. Billingsgate ought not to be poured out upon an ex-Governor.

or an ex-Jodge of the Supreme court and an ex-Governor.

It is an undealable fact, that the surface drainage of San Antonio is not only in a most deplorable condition, but says apparently been shamefully ignored and neglected. Even the most ignorant person comprehends the fact that water must have an outlet, and that stagnant water, when exposed to the rays of the sun in summer, is a breeder of sickness. All that is needed, is to provide an outlet, or vent, for the surface water, and this is easily accomplished, in case common temperature of the surface water, and the sidewalk, on every street, there should be a small dickle or drain, to conduct the water off, according to the natural deplacement of the water off, according to the natural deplacement of the water off, according to the natural deplacement of the water off, according to the natural deplacement of the water off, according to the natural deplacement of the water off, according to the natural deplacement of the surface of the street crosses another, an underground drain should be constructed, so that the water off, according to the constructed, so that the water off, according to the constructed, so that the water off, according to the constructed, so that the water off, according to the constructed, so that the water off, according to the constructed of the c

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It is much to be regretted that the boys and girls read so many purely sensational magnatines, newspapers and novels, and so few solid books. By devoting even one heur a day to useful reading for a few years a person would glean a large amount of general information and be entitled to pass current as well informed. There is no truer saying than that "knowledge is power," and each and every one may acquire this power, by devoting a few hours daily to reading with careful attention some neath book. Well informed men one meath book. Well informed men and wetten hugart a charm to society beyond the reach of showy riches or insipid fashion, and what is still better, they exert an elevating influence on such as are thrown into their company. A taste for reading is a safeguard against vice and vulgar dissipation, siene this very inste prevents the hanity of mind and feeling of lonellows and onuit which impels so many young men to have recourse to the bottle and the gainst the formy Clay, Andrew Johnson, and many other conspicuous figures in our national portrait gailiery, never elloyed the singlitest educational advantages, but were self-educated educated by a course of reading, and what they accouplished in this respect is within the careful of the poorest by in Texas, by the use of similar industry, energy and attention. Material presperity is of little consequence unless it be adorned by intellectual growth and endure.

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Tan actimonious contest between the partianals and the foce of Mesers, Elliot and Hardenbrook for the Commissionership to the New Orleans exposition was unseemly and derogulory to the presently and department of the position was not party feally, but administrative and organizing ability-indeed, political prejudices should have been put clean to one side and the best man for the position selected, irrespective of his political antecedents. At the Atlanta exposition, H. J. Kimball was chosen President, notwithstanding he was a Republican, because of his energy, vim and administrative ability, and the result vindicated the wisdom of his selection. But our purpose in this sarticle was to say that the press should be above petty rivalry and ignoble jeal-ousies and enmiries and should be animated by a spirit of generous similation and espirit de corps. The promotion of one member of the press is a credit to the journalistic profession and a recognition of its usefulness and dignify, and editors should not rancorously opposite effort of one of their own profession to obtain any position. There should exist a generous simulation, mingled with kindly sympatity and fraternal feeling between editors, and this spirit should be earefully emitivated.

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